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Open Space Committee Minutes 02/06/2005

**Town of Arlington
OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
730 Mass. Ave., Arlington, Ma. 02476**

**MINUTES
Wednesday, April 6, 2005**

Present: Ann LeRoyer, Chair; Roly Chaput; Joey Glushko; David White; Adam Pachter; Elizabeth Karpati; Michele Hessler; Teresa DeBenedictis, ex officio; Patsy Kraemer, clerk protem; Leslie Mayer (late arrival).

1) Minutes – Minutes of the March 2, 2005, meeting were written by Elizabeth Karpati. One addition had been sent to her via email and incorporated in the minutes. Approval of the minutes was moved by Roly C., seconded by Patsy K. Unanimous vote.

2) Scheduling of next meetings – The upcoming meeting schedule is as follows:

May 4, 2005 – 7-8 pm Meadowbrook Park

June 1, 2005 – time dependent on town meeting schedule – Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. Jimmy Dodge will join the meeting.

July 6, 2005 – TBD

September 7, 2005 – Great Meadows

3) Arlington Reservoir – a brief report on the dam project was reported by P. Kraemer. The contractor has moved in and work will begin very soon. The beach will be open this summer but with reduced hours. Parking will be severely limited in the parking lot.

4) Arlington Reservoir Management Plan – discussion on the management plan ensued with various editing comments given for various sections. Ann and David will make the appropriate revisions and additions.

Ann asked for volunteers to help with editing and re-formatting all the management plans. She suggested that this be done over the summer months as people have some time freed up. Elizabeth, Adam, Teresa, all volunteered to help.

5) Town Day Booth – The committee discussed ideas for Town Day in September. Some wanted to do a raffle again. Roly suggested selling packets of bulbs rather than a raffle. He will investigate this. The idea of selling bulbs to be planted at the res was also raised.

Leslie suggested having a combination of photos of open spaces in Arlington with the maps that we've used for display. The group thought that was an excellent suggestion.

6) Updates

***Leslie advised that there is a dog park hearing and discussion scheduled for Monday, 4/11/2005. Different approaches to dog parks will be discussed, including the "Brookline" model, i.e. no fence.**

***Roly reported that Lahey will be out of the Symmes campus by the 23rd of April. He also said that the traffic report for that development has been released.**

7) Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm. Adjournment was moved by Joey, seconded by Elizabeth. Unanimous vote.

Next Meeting: May 4, 2005 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm.